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FYI.

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Greeting Bill,

I have been informed that a former USCG vessel, the CGC STORIS, was recently sold for scrap and is expected to cross over into Mexican waters in the next 2 hours, likely in violation of TSCA. I reviewed the PCB report as provided by the USCG; they state explicitly that for regulatory purposes, the vessel is assumed to contain PCBs in totally enclosed materials. I have also been in touch with a contractor that inspected the vessel prior to the auction and I was told that the vessel contains approximately 3% of the original electric wiring that very likely contains PCBs in excess of 50 ppm. The vessel was built in 1942.

BAN asks for EPA HQ to please notify the tug company immediately to halt the pending export. The tug that is pulling the vessel is the A.N. Tillett; its current location can be viewed here:
<http://new.marinetraffic.com/en/ais/details/ships/367116840>

BAN is preparing a press release for distribution in the coming hours. We thank you for your proactive efforts.

Best,

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